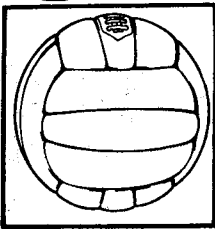


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SLAVIA SAFE SAYS NEW COACH

Slavia will not be relegated, said the club's new coach Ken Kontra this week.

"Slavia has had bad luck with injury and illness," he said, "and once Russell Steele, Mike O'Hara, Sandy Jones and Brian-Adlam are back we will lift our play."

"There will be a better team effort and Slavia's play will become faster and more open."

"From now on fans will see Slavia play much more attacking soccer than in the past."

"We are not far behind Lions and I believe we are better than Lions."

Ken Kontra, 36, was appointed coach of Slavia last week.

He decided to accept the job after watching Slavia go down 1-2 to Ringwood City Wilhelmina in their Dockerty Cup clash.

Kontra was previously coach of First Division club St. Albans but he left there "by mutual agreement".

At Slavia he is working closely with new team manager Dusan Lazarevic,

who played for Red Star in Yugoslavia at the same time as Footscray J.U.S.T. coach Lou Brocie.

Kontra admits he lacks a goalscoring forward so he will concentrate on setting up more scoring chances.

He is trying to implement the 3-3-4 formation but says his system will depend upon the ground, the opposition and the players who are available.

Kontra played junior soccer in Hungary and Germany before coming to Australia in 1950.

While working in Ballarat, he became a founder member of the Ballarat City club and played there until moving to Sydney, where he joined Ferencváros, the forerunner of St. George Budapest.

In 1956 he came to Melbourne and had two games with J.U.S.T. before joining Croydon.

He then had four seasons with Fern-tree Gully, three of them as playing coach.

Later he coached Moreland and St. Albans and is currently helping State coach Zvonimir Rasic with the Victorian under 18 squad.

His appointment at Slavia is for 10 matches, until the end of the season.

"I don't know what will happen after that," he said.

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John Pick dies

Mr. John Pick, life member of the Victorian Soccer Federation and of Slavia, died last Thursday.

Players of Slavia and Polonia paid tribute to Mr. Pick on Saturday, by standing in silence before their match at Olympic Park.

Mr. Pick had been a vice-president and secretary of Slavia and had for many years been one of the club's stalwarts.

He had also been a member of various Federation committees.

Colombia wants World Cup

By Jack Jacobs.

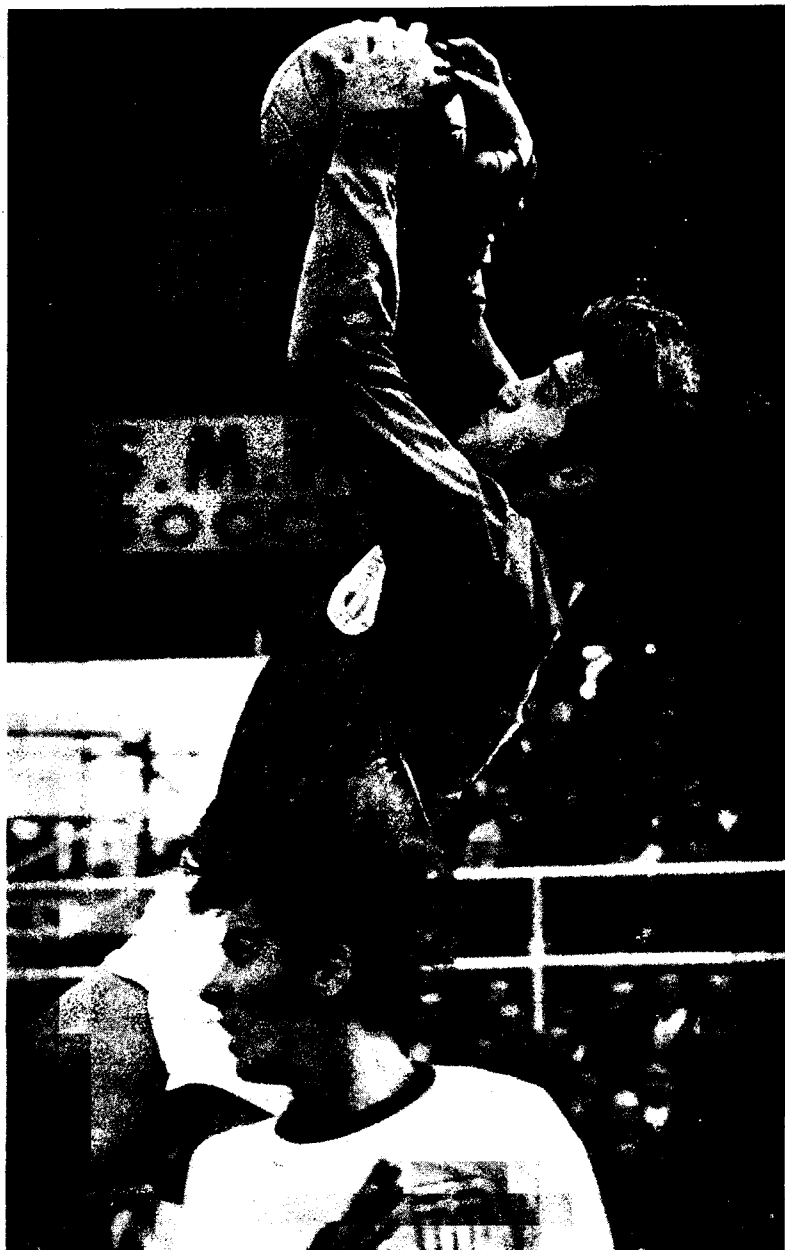
Colombian Ambassador to Mexico, Dr. Cesar Augusto Pantoja said during the world championships that Colombia wanted to host the 1978 World Cup.

The 1974 World Cup will be held in Munich, West Germany.

Dr. Pantoja said Colombia had the necessary facilities to organise an event of the magnitude of the World Cup and was inspired by Mexico's facilities and "Mexico's magnificent organisation could be an example" in the organisation of the 1970 world.

The secretary-general of the Colombian Foreign Ministry, Manuel Arvela, was in Mexico with Dr. Pantoja to look over the Mexican organisation.

Dr. Pantoja said Mexico's facilities and organisation could be an example in the organisation of the 1970 world.



Footscray-J.U.S.T. goalkeeper Jimmy Milisavljevic, one of the stars of the weekend round of State League matches, flies high to cut out a dangerous cross before it reaches South Melbourne-Hellas striker Jimmy Armstrong.

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A series on the iron defenders of the State League

The rocks

One shudders to think where Hakoah would be today without the mighty John O'Neill.

Hakoah has had a bad year but without O'Neill it could have been much worse.

This powerful defender and organiser has been using all his experience and skill to drive his young, inexperienced team mates, and to produce results which have kept Hakoah out of danger.

The same determination and skill gave O'Neill the 1969 Argus Medal and this year he must again rank among the favorites.

O'Neill remains in soccer's star limelight despite his 33 years and partly because of them. Age has slowed him

JOHN O'NEILL, HAKOAH'S BACKBONE

down a lot but experience has replaced speed with split-second anticipation. O'Neill at his best is a player who can make a weak defence a winning one, and who can generate attacks with accurate, well-timed passes.

Because O'Neill is a professional. A footballer

since the age of 11, he was born in Dublin and won an Irish FA Cup medal with Drumcondra in 1958. He also represented Ireland twice as a schoolboy and was later capped for Eire as a senior.

After Drumcondra he switched to Preston North End, where he spent six

years playing alongside the great Tom Finney.

Later he moved on to Barrow where a broken leg almost ended his career.

But, he recovered and came to Australia in 1965 to take up a "good offer" from Hakoah.

During Hakoah's successful years, he has had support in defence from greats like Dick van Alphen, George Keith and Mike O'Hara.

But, as the ranks dwindled, O'Neill was left on his own, with only Alan Stenhouse providing experienced support. But O'Neill accepted the challenge and won.

So when he decides to retire, his name will find a permanent place in soccer's history books, among those of the finest players ever seen in the State League.



Youngsters need idols



• Polonia's 22-year-old linkman Andrew Czapnik, himself a product of Victoria's juniors, talks of the need for placing more emphasis on junior soccer.

When I started playing soccer, I idolised Frank Micic of Footscray J.U.S.T.

I watched him all the time and I learned a lot from him.

This idolisation is very important for juniors. It gives them someone to look up to and to learn from and it keeps their interest in the sport alive.

Clubs can encourage this idolisation by organising groups of juniors to watch the senior matches and by having someone pointing out the players to them.

The seniors can also help, by trying to be present at junior games and by meeting the youngsters in the dressing rooms.

At my club, Polonia, our experienced Polish players help coach our juniors and this system could be extended.

Other senior players should also be utilised as coaches - I know most of them would be more than willing to help.

Senior players could also be called to junior training sessions to talk to the boys and to demonstrate certain skills.

This would enable the boys to meet the stars and would encourage them to watch the senior matches.

But this is only one way of improving and glamorising junior soccer.

Train with stars

Everything a club has to offer should be given to the juniors, and their training sessions should be held at the same time as those of the seniors. Occasionally the juniors should be able to train with the stars.

But at Polonia, the scope for improvement is currently limited because we have separate junior clubs in Ardeer and West Newport.

Things will be different next year if there's truth in the rumor that we'll have junior teams based at Maribyrnong.

I think that I've got as far as I have in soccer mainly because of my own effort. I've always been enthusiastic and used to play with my little brothers in the back yard, with a tennis ball.

I had no guidance until I got to Polonia and therefore I haven't developed the way I would have liked to.

If I had had senior players watching me and giving me advice, I think I

would have become a much better player.

Of course help from senior players is not enough. Juniors also need expert coaches.

Our reserves coach Ian Petherick used to coach juniors and he's a human dynamo. He gives the players spirit and enthusiasm and is the perfect example of the type of men we need.

Juniors must have pride in their clubs and they must be surrounded with a certain amount of glamor so they have something to strive for.

Club blazers and club bags, for example would help a lot. The boys would be proud to be seen in their club colors and they could boast about the great team they play for.

Raise standard

Clubs may argue that they haven't the money for this type of promotion but I'm sure parents would be glad to help.

Even more glamor would be provided by a system of promotion and relegation within junior ranks.

The junior set-up could be the same as our senior framework with a State League, a first division, a second division and so on.

This would provide players with a continuous goal.

Also, senior teams in State League should not be restricted to the same 14 or 15 players every week. If a youngster plays well in the reserves, he should be promoted to the first team.

This will give the younger players an incentive and will raise the standard of the senior team because players will be fighting harder to keep their places. When they played against us a while ago, South Melbourne Hellas fielded a youngster called Jimmy Daperis.

He showed tons of skill and is a great prospect. The club must be congratulated on giving him a chance and other clubs should do likewise.

The standard of soccer will never improve here if we keep importing players.

We can use the money much more wisely by improving our juniors.

CARLTON ON THE WAY BACK

By RICK LAVALE

One of the oldest teams in the District League is Carlton, which has not enjoyed success for the past two years, finishing well down the ladder.

However, there has been a great re-newal of interest within the club and it is now on the way back.

Already this season it has chalked up four wins and a draw.

Much of this success can be attributed to the recent appointment of 21

year-old Alex Aleksis as coach.

Alex was formerly with Sunshine City for many years, where apart from being a regular in the first team, he also saw service as a junior coach.

The players have responded well under him and attendances at training are growing each week. A notable addition to the playing strength is 19 year-old V. Cevcic, a centre forward from

J.U.S.T. who made an outstanding debut in the league recently against Reservoir, and scored a fine goal to mark the occasion.

While other clubs are spending big money to strengthen their teams, Carlton is quietly but surely improving.

It's aim this year is to consolidate, but next season other teams will have to be on their toes.

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John O'Neill holds high the Dockerty Cup after Hakoah had beaten Port Melbourne Slavia 4-2 in the 1966 final at Olympic Park.

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Croatia's international striker Billy Vojtek side-foots the ball over Alexander goalkeeper John Kennedy for the equaliser at Olympic Park last Sunday, while team-mate Jimmy MacKay looks on. Vojtek scored both goals in Croatia's 2-1 victory.

NAME MEN FOR CUP: GUARDIANI

Every club taking part in the Dockerty Cup should submit to the Federation a list of 11 senior players at the start of the season.

These 11 players should then be ineligible to play in the Armstrong Cup, said Polonia team manager Reno Guardiani this week.

Guardiani was com-

menting on the recent dispute between Juventus and Ringwood City Wilhelmina. The trouble started when Juventus sent its senior team to play against Wilhelmina

in the Armstrong Reserve Cup.

Wilhelmina refused to play.

"Both teams did the wrong thing," Guardiani said.

"Juventus should not have sent its senior team and Wilhelmina should have played the game. They could have protested later."

Guardiani pointed out that Juventus broke no rules in sending its senior team because players who have not played in the Dockerty Cup are eligible for the Armstrong Cup.

Juventus had played no Dockerty Cup matches. "Zurawski, Widera and Closs did not play in Polonia's Dockerty Cup match, so I would be within my rights to play them in the next Armstrong Cup round," he said.

"This mix-up has been in existence long enough."

"Eleven players should be named at the start of the season who are not eligible for the Armstrong Cup. In addition the Armstrong and Dockerty Cups should be held simultaneously."

It's Medri's first slip

Juventus' reserve goalkeeper Vince Medri conceded his first goal of the season in the match against Lions on Sunday.

Medri, 25, who has been alternating in the reserves with Mike Harby, has played 13 half matches this season. Currently he is the club's No. 3 goalkeeper, behind Jock Reilly and Harby.

The goal he conceded in Juventus 4-1 victory over Lions was due to a mistake by the defenders.



South Melbourne Hellas goalkeeper Dick Stephens plucks the ball away just before Footscray J.U.S.T. striker Slobodan Zoraja can get his head to it. John Bedford (No. 4) looks on.

SIX-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

District League club Diamond Creek will conduct a one day six-a-side knock-out tournament, Sunday, October 18, commencing at 10.45 a.m.

The competition will be limited to 16 teams and the following clubs have been invited to participate: Eltham, Chadstone, Croydon, Repco-Bayswater, Wattle Glen and Lovetools.

The venue will be The

He's back

East Carlton's Frank Calabria has been reinstated as the club's Secretary following a successful appeal to the V.S.F.

Frank had been suspended since October, 1969, following an incident in his club's District Cup match against Ardeer.

Wattle Park picnic ground, two miles north of Diamond Creek on the Hurstbridge Road.

Cedars want players

District League club Parkville Cedars is anxious to sign players.

The club wants to hear from players who would be willing to train with the team and play next season.

Parkville's ground is the No. 6 oval at Princes Park. Its club house is at 305-307 Nicholson Street, Carlton and training is from 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. on Thursdays and from 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

Those interested can phone Elias Obeid on 64-0331, extension 331.

Mayor opens Altona pavilion

By GEORGE YELLAND

The Mayor of Altona, Cr. Pat Burns, officially opened Altona City's new pavilion at Kim Reserve on Sunday.

The pavilion is named after the late Altona councillor, Stan McIntosh.

The building was erected by Altona Soccer Club's president, Mr. Lou Noordenne, on contract for the city council and represents a notable step in the development of this fine young club.

For progressive thinking, dynamic action and genuine concern for the welfare of its people, Altona City Council must rate among the highest in Australia.

The afternoon commenced with a Junior Soccer game, followed by an attractive display from the newly formed Altona marching girls.

Altona City Band provided musical entertainment.

Before the senior game, Councillor Burns performed the opening ceremony.

He said it was obvious that soccer was becoming firmly entrenched in Australia.

The Council is alive to the value of soccer as a community activity and lends its support, im-

partially, as it does to all such community interests.

In due course, the club intends developing facilities for spectators in order to increase support in this keen soccer area.

Many Metropolitan clubs are slowly and steadily building on solid foundations, like Altona.

Creating their own grounds and club rooms, identifying themselves with Metropolitan cities.

In the long term they must succeed. They are fitting themselves for leadership in soccer in this State.

Newcomer for 'Cross

Utility player Alex Sharp, 26, arrived from Scotland recently to join George Cross.

Sharp played for Aberdeen's third team and will probably make his debut for the Cross against Hakoah on Saturday.

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Red Star has won the Yugoslavian First Division premiership. Zagreb and Vardar have been relegated.

Poor First Aid at Middle Park

Juventus secretary Gilbert Martin this week complained about the poor first aid facilities at Middle Park.

He said when Sandy Irvine was injured during Juventus' clash with George Cross recently, there was no stretcher available to carry him off the ground.

He added there were no stools for officials to sit on while watching the game on the touchline.

When Ulysses Kokkinos of South Melbourne Hellas, cracked his shinbone during the

Dockerty Cup clash against Polonia, there was a long hold-up while officials looked for a stretcher.

But they could not find one and returned with what looked like a door, to carry Kokkinos off the ground.

The lack of other facilities at Middle Park was criticised on Saturday by Polonia official Bob Mlewski.

He said there was no table in the visitors' dressing rooms and that the floors were covered with water.

Hargreaves leaves

Croatia has lost its left winger Terry Hargreaves.

Hargreaves, who has been with the club for two years, got married two weeks ago and took his bride to England on their honeymoon.

He will be back at the end of the year.

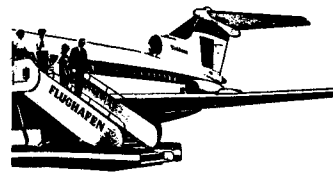


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RIVERA- THE 'GOLDEN BOY'

It was just before Christmas and he was training with his team mates of AC Milan when he was asked to come to the phone. It was a call from Paris.

Jacques Ferran, editor of "France Football" was on the line. He had good news for Gianni Rivera, captain of Milan.

They had chosen him, before his friend and countryman "Gigi" Riva, as Footballer of the year, 1969.

It was the first time this honor had been bestowed upon an Italian.

But Gianni Rivera showed no signs of emotion. With the composure of a statesman who had just been knighted, he carried the

good news to his team mates, invited them to join him for a drink later, and continued training.

It was typical of Rivera, the quiet, modest football millionaire who takes everything in his stride.

Italy's brightest star of the post-war years, Rivera comes from Valle San Bartolomeo, a little country town, where he was born on August 18, 1943.

Mother Edera called him affectionately her "Cosino" or "tiny one" because the little boy with blue eyes and brown hair was quite small and thin.

Even today his physique seems a little frail. But on the field he is the complete footballer and his boundless skill and team spirit make him seem like a Colossus.

Rivera's sharpest and strongest weapon is his extraordinary intelligence. In this respect he resembles his idol, the Uruguayan Juan Alberto Schiaffino, of whom he once said:

"He was a football genius, from whom I learned to use my strength economically. In Milan's team he had complete freedom of movement."

The same freedom is now enjoyed by Rivera, who joined Milan in 1960 from US Alessandria.

Gip Viani, manager of AC Milan, invited Rivera to have a trial with Milan when Rivera was only 15 years old.

The same evening, Viani completed the deal with Alessandria and for 120 million Lire (about \$195,000) Rivera made the switch.

It was the highest price that had ever been paid for a 15-year-old.

From that day, this frail railway worker's son from Valle San Bartolomeo was known only as the "ragazzo d'oro" — the "Golden Boy".

He has had to devote his entire youth to soccer but it has been worth it.

Since 1960 he has helped AC Milan with two Italian championships and has twice fought for the European Cup.

He was capped for Italy 35 times and was given the title of "cavaliere". He has also taken part in two World Cups.

But he doesn't like to remember England. "It was hell when we returned," he said later, "it was all we could do to dodge those rotten tomatoes."

Next week: Pele, God of Brazil.



Gianni Rivera

Juventus draws,



Hugh Murney

Lions 2.
Juventus 2

(DeMarchi, 3,
Goodwin, pen. 15;
Murney (L) 40,
Butler (L) 46).

Ian McCarthy, Hugh Murney and David McGuinness outshone Juventus' star linkmen and provided the drive that gave the improving Lions a draw with the League leaders.

Jock Goodwin, who took the place of Sandy Irvine as stopper, was missed badly in midfield.

His hard tackling could have upset the Lions schemers.

Juventus dominated the first half, and was two goals up after 15 minutes. Dino DeMarchi converted a rebound from a Bryan Thomson shot and Jock Goodwin scored from the penalty spot after a Lions defender had handled the ball.

Then Hugh Murney, unmarked, scored five minutes from the end and after the break, Lions took over.

Steve Collinson was keeping Tommy McCall quiet and Bill Murray was troubling Ron Frost.

One minute after half time Keith Lakey missed a tackle and the nippy Eddy Butler broke through for the equaliser. Lions continued to press forward and was unlucky not to score again.

Juventus hit back during the last 10 minutes but found goalkeeper Alex Tochel in good form.

LIONS: Tochel; Murray, Collinson, Rosevear, Reilly; Murney, McGuinness, McCarthy; Robertson, van Zeist, Butler. Coach Stan Plekan.

JUVENTUS: Reilly; Della Rocca, Kinnell, Goodwin, Lakey, Salisbury, Webster; Frost, Thomson, DeMarchi (sub. Docherty, 70), McCall. Coach Tony Boggi.

Votes:
Lions: 3. Butler, 2. McCarthy, 1. Murney.
Juventus: 3. Goodwin, 2. Thomson, 1. Kinnell.

—JOE MAJOR.

Melbourne
2.
Ringwood 0

(Pocock (M) 35
Scott, pen. 68)

Rasic's Raiders struck again on Saturday, further consolidating their position in the four at the expense of a depleted Ringwood City.

With a scintillating display of speedy, interlocking forward play, Melbourne quickly established a convincing superiority.

Raid after raid rocked Ringwood's iron defence.

Keri missed a sitter, then almost made amends, beating Bobby Adam near the line and breaking back to open up an angle before firing just wide.

Pocock and Wallace were an inspiration and Rogers, with his blond hair bouncing wildly, resembled a rampaging Viking. The inevitable took 35 minutes to come, but Pocock made no mistake after van Egmond had beaten down a "bottler" from Keri.

A second half penalty, rough luck from a hard decision, served only to put the result beyond doubt. Illness and injury wrecked Ringwood and throughout the first half its only regular forward, big Wim Spiekerman looked about ready to abandon ship with frustration.

Archie Campbell has the talent but isn't hungry enough for the ball and Blake, McNab and Villers were played into oblivion by a well-marshalled Melbourne backline in which Joe Szabo stood out, ably assisted by "chopper" McGowan and Fabian Juhász.

Melbourne had one fault—a bad one. In front and well on top, they eased up, played for time, and generally practised the noble art of gamesmanship. You just can't do that and get away with it in the State League.

This act of self-destruction ruined the rhythm and flow of their game and gave Ringwood an opportunity to come back.

They took it and with Bunce replacing Blake, they played their hearts out trying to pull back the two goal deficit.

If they failed, it was because they just weren't good enough — on the day.

Another team might just have done it, so wake up Melbourne!

Melbourne: Gerrard, McDavid, Juhász, Szabo, McGowan, Scott, Keri, Wallace, Pocock, Rogers, Bleskany.

Ringwood: Van Egmond, Bailey, O'Toole, Pygall, Ward, Adam, Campbell, Villers, Spiekerman, Blake (sub. Bunce, 60), McNab.

Best players:
Melbourne — 3. Pocock, 2. Szabo, 1. Keri.
Ringwood — 3. Adam, 2. Pygall, 1. Bailey.

Jim Barker.



Jimmy MacKay

Croatia 2.
Fitzroy 1

(Xanthopoulos, pen. 2,
Vojtek (C) 70, 81).

Although playing with only 10 men after the second minute of play, Croatia dominated and international Billy Vojtek scored two goals to give his side victory after being one down.

Croatia lost goalkeeper Mike Kovacek in the second minute, when he was sent off for alleged kicking.

The referee awarded a penalty, which Taki Xanthopoulos converted.

To cover the loss of Kovacek, Croatia coach Mike Kiss replaced linkman Joe Rajher with reserve goalkeeper Dieter Voigt, who then went into goal.

Alexander fell down in midfield, where the brilliant Jimmy MacKay shook off his shadow, Paul Tiktakis, and directed traffic.

Alexander's one-man striking force, Jimmy Mangopoulos, was hurt in the 20th minute and when he left the field there was no one left to score goals.

Winger Ron Brown twisted his ankle early in the second half and was a passenger for the rest of the game.

Croatia attacked incessantly, with Alexander managing only a few breakaways.

After Vojtek had given his team the lead, Alexander had three good chances to equalise but Nick Papagrigoriou, Jimmy Kiriatis and George Dolanitis weren't on target.

CROATIA: Kovacek (sent off, 2nd. m.); Wiley, Gunt, Symington, Williams; Rajher (sub. Voigt, 3rd. m.); MacKay, McIntyre, Turicar, Vojtek, Armour. Coach Mike Kiss.

FITZROY: Kennedy; Xanthopoulos, Valtasias, Seife, Glennie, Kiriatis, Glykolas, Tiktakis; Dolanitis, Mangopoulos (in). sub. Papagrigoriou, 20, Brown. Coach Manny Foulakakis.

Votes:
Croatia: 3. Williams, 2. Vojtek, 1. MacKay.
Fitzroy: 3. Kennedy, 2. Glennie, 1. Xanthopoulos.

—GEORGE YELLAND.

Old-timers return

Two top stars of yesteryear took the field with Ringwood City reserves last Saturday and brought back a flood of memories.

Did that young centre half of Melbourne realise the fast moving linkman who gave him so much trouble was Tjibbe Keuken, ace striker and one-time State League top scorer with 35 goals in a season?

And how about that equally young Melbourne left winger? He most certainly wouldn't have known that the old timer with a mop of grey hair was no other than Apple von Dintner, founder member of Wilhelmina and at 42 still not too old to teach a cocky youngster a thing or two.

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O'Neill still advancing

Hakoah defender and 1969 Argus Medalist John O'Neill continued his steady advance in the voting for the Marlboro best player award, by scoring three votes for his game against George Cross.

He now has a total of 23, and is only three points behind leader Ian McCarthy of Lions.

Croatia's Billy Vojtek scored two goals against Alexander to move up in the list of goalscorers. Top scorer for the year will receive a trophy from Philip Morris Ltd.

Current leader is Jimmy Mangopoulos of Alexander.

GOALSCORERS.

11. Mangopoulos (A), 10. Zoraja (JUST), 9. Blazevic (JUST), B. Thomson (J), 8. Clary (Hak), 7. Kokinos (H), Edgley, Spiekerman, Jones (S),

mann (W), Vojtek (C), Bleskany (M), McCall (J), 6. McIntyre (C), Rogers (M), Progress votes: 26. McCarthy (L), 23. O'Neill (Hak.), 21. Pygall (W), 18. Casper (P), 15. Zorazaki (P), Juhász (M), 14. Pye (W), Stankovic (JUST), Williams (C), Mangopoulos (A), Gardiner (GC), Kinnell (J), 13. Zanatta (S), Ricks (GC), Webster (J), 12. High (H), Seife (A), Goodwin (J), 11. Xanthopoulos.

GEELONG HAS 'STATE' TEAM

Go-ahead
attitude

Latest progressive move in the Geelong Little League is the formation of a representative under 14 squad.

The team will challenge similar representative teams from other Leagues.

This is only one illustration of the go-ahead attitude of this league, which now comprises eight under 14 and five under 12 teams.

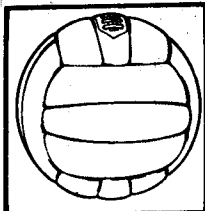
Coach Neil Carruthers is putting the boys through their paces and is confident of producing a side which will bring credit to Geelong and District.

Negotiations are under way for a game against a Melbourne Western Suburbs combined under 14 team.

Although the date is not yet set, it is hoped that the encounter will take place in the near future.

If the venture is a success, and there seems little doubt of this, the team may go inter-state.

JUNIOR SOCCER NEWS



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Gala series down south

Southern Region under 15, under 13 and under 11 age groups have been divided into four districts which will each pick three representative teams.

In September, on three gala days, these teams will play a

round robin series, with the champion team in each age group being awarded a trophy.

A regional representative squad will be chosen from the four district teams in each age group to play against representative LaTrobe Valley teams in October.



Ten-year-old Johnny Dowber (pictured) is a star striker in the making.

Last year he scored 72 goals in Karingal's under 10 team and this year, he has notched up 34.

A natural left-footer but able to score with both feet, Johnny lives for soccer and played in the under 10's when he was eight years old.

In 1968 he won a junior scholarship as one of the best players in his team.

Before having a tooth extracted recently, his only comment was: "It won't stop me from playing soccer, will it mum?"

Westgarth calls for help

From the boys of the Westgarth State School soccer team comes a call for help.

The boys do not have a coach. Can anyone help? This is their letter to Junior Soccer News!

"Would you please help our soccer team because we haven't got a coach."

"We had a coach but he left us and we can't find another one."

"Our school wouldn't help us so could you please send us a coach for our soccer team. If you can't find us a coach, even a boy will do - between 17 and 20."

"Please telephone our home if you can."

"Please come to our school on Thursdays if possible between 12.15 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m."

The number is 48-3435.

Our soccer players names are: Guy Greco, Chris Bibes, Louie Tsigras, Chris Dines, Joe Frank, Eugenio Brazzali, Anastasios Tousimig, Barry Metcalf, Bob Ippolity, George Fakos, Nick Vassiliou, Christos Stoikos, Nick Gikos, Sall Frank.

New club in Nunawading

A new under 15 club has been formed at Nunawading and is looking for practice matches on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Any club which could oblige should contact Mr. J. Mullett, on 878-9970.

The club will cater for junior players between the ages of nine and 17.

The local council have provided speedy co-operation by providing a pitch at Mahoney's Road Reserve in Forest Hill.

Zemel Cup is back

The Southern Region of the junior league has re-introduced the Ben Zemel Cup.

The Cup was donated in the now defunct South of the Yarra competition by the family of the late Mr. Ben Zemel, who had been a

prominent official of the Hakoah-Ajax club.

This season, the competition is open to under 16 and under 17 teams in the Southern Region.

All applications must reach the secretary, Mr. John Wren, no later than July 17th.

Draw for Cup

The draw for the Cup semi-finals to be played on August 1 and 2 is:

U10: Bayswater or Croydon v. Frankston Pines, Juventus v. Karingal.

U11: Altona or Melbourne v. Footscray J.U.S.T., Karingal v. Ringwood City W.

U12: Elwood Austria v. Doncaster, Newport or Keilor C. v. Melbourne.

U13: Footscray J.U.S.T. v. Frankston C. or W. Newport 2, Lions v. Melbourne.

U14: Altona v. Sunshine C., Footscray J.U.S.T. v. Sth. Melbourne H.

U15: Doveton v. Keilor C. or Footscray J.U.S.T., Croatia v. Sandringham.

U16: Bayswater v. Sth. Melbourne H., Doveton or Juventus v. Broadmeadows or Sunshine C.

U17: George Cross v. Croatia, Keilor City v. Juventus or Waverley.

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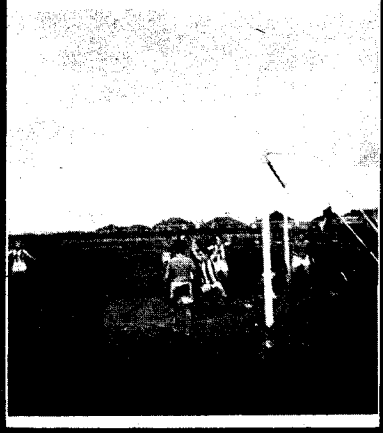
con Caterina Caselli
Laura Efrikian e
Nino Taranto.

These were Crilly's two

Steve Crilly, the free-scoring St. Albans under 11 forward, netted twice in a recent game against Lions at Churchill Reserve, St. Albans.

Here's how he did it.

The top photo shows the hard drive that resulted in goal No. 1, and the bottom photo shows Steve shouting for joy after scoring from close range.



FOUR SHOW INITIATIVE

- and get results

Four junior clubs have shown what a bit of initiative can do.

Because each had many under eight players who were not getting a game, the clubs decided to form their own league.

Now, with three months of competition behind them, the players have improved greatly, and are laying the foundations for successful soccer careers.

The four clubs involved are Seaford, Bayswater, Peninsula and Karingal.

Seaford and Bayswater each field two teams. Seaford Blacks are currently on top of the ladder.

Parents are giving the league a lot of support and are turning up regularly for matches.

The four clubs are even running their own cup competition.

Karingal and Seaford Black will fight out the final on August 23.

The trophy has been donated by Hakoah stalwart Kurt Defris.

Karingal now has over 20 under eights and is hoping to run two teams next season.

Undefeated

Karingal's under 10's (pictured) are undefeated in the League and Cup this season.

With boys of this calibre, Karingal is sure to be a club that will make Australian soccer stand up in the World Cup around the 1980's.



The boys pictured are from left, standing - T. Norman, C. Glencross, C. Williams, A. Dickens, J. Murray, R. McNeil. Front - D. Head, M. Owens, J. Dowber, R. Bexon, N. Goss.



They help make the Saints tick



Some of the stars who make up the St. Albans under 15 team:

Top right: David Highfield, left half, four years with the club and always dependable.

Bottom right: Theo Ienotidis, right half, three years with the club, has hard shot.

Above: Chris Pike, centre forward, always dangerous in front of goal.

Left: Con Dimopoulos, inside right, regular scorer.

Dribbling should be encouraged

I believe dribbling should be taught to youngsters as much as possible.

It is easier to discourage a boy from dribbling than it is to teach him.

In top soccer dribbling is a necessary evil but it can also be of tactical advantage. In junior soccer, youngsters must not be restricted.

Dribbling is necessary to hold the ball when your team mates are not in a position to pass to. It is also used to beat a defender and draw out another one, to give a team mate less opposition near goal.

Dribbling depends largely on the individual because not all players are born to be dribblers. Dribbling is the highest of the skills that depend on individualism.

The good dribbler uses his talent instinctively, without even thinking about his opponent. To become this accomplished you must practice continuously.

Some great players have specialised in certain types of dribbling and have become so great at it that they could beat any opponent although that opponent knew in advance what the player was going to do.

Garrincha of Brazil always feinted to the left and then went to the right. Spain's Gento based his dribbling skill on speed. Both were rarely beaten.

The best example of an instinctive dribbler was the great Stanley Matthews of England.

Good dribblers in Victorian State League soccer are Tommy McColl of Juventus, Branko Buljevic of Footscray J.U.S.T. and Steve Bleskany of Melbourne.

Use opponents

McColl has great ball control and dribbling comes automatically to him.

Buljevic too, has fine ball control but he tends to keep his head down and so cannot fully command a situation.

Bleskany is capable of beating anyone with his body swerves.

When teaching boys to dribble, equipment like stumps and poles are not so effective because they give no reaction. They are useful mainly to teach the fundamentals.

The best success is achieved by using opponents.

In the earliest stages, everything should be explained in detail in a standing position. It is important not to get complicated.

When the boys have mastered the fundamentals, they are ready to learn with a slowly moving ball, whose speed is then increased gradually.

A long period of time should be spent at about half pace.



GARRINCHA, faded star of Brazil. He became so expert in a certain type of dribbling, that he was almost unbeatable.

Next comes the introduction of a shadow opponent to encourage dribbling, not to destroy it.

Players should then be given time to practice in pairs, facing game situations, with one trying to stop the other. When the opponent wins the ball, he then becomes the dribbler.

Opponents should be changed regularly because different players have different reactions to various situations.

By doing this, the boys must continue adapting to the different reactions of given opponents.

To learn as much as possible in a game situation, it is necessary to give the players exercises in which they are forced to dribble.

As they become more experienced they are able to choose the right type of dribbling for each different situation.

The premature use of maximum speed and power destroys the fine ball feeling necessary to be a good dribbler and will make the players forget to control the ball.

After having practised one against one, with rotating opponents, we progress to a two against one situation.

In this exercise a player facing two opponents is forced to dribble. He also learns to open up because he is always trying to lose his opponents.

Because dribbling is a very tiring exercise, the coach must give his players a chance to relax. During the breaks, he has time to correct individual weaknesses.

After the two against one exercise we progress to game situations like 3 v. 2, 4 v. 2, 5 v. 3 and so on.

Coaching Hints

By Zvonimir Rasic

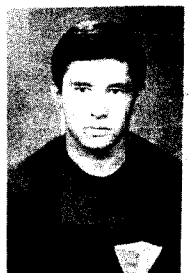


ABOVE: Branko Buljevic throws Heinz Steinmann off balance with his dribbling skill during Victoria's recent game against Werder Bremen of West Germany.



LEFT: Tommy McColl of Juventus looks like he's conceded the ball to Hakoah's Alan Stenhouse, yet he has slipped the ball to the right to avoid Stenhouse's tackle.

BELOW: Melbourne's Bleskany — he can beat almost anybody with his body swerves.



CROATIA CLINCHES TITLE

By beating Ringwood City Wilhelmina 4-1, Croatia's under 15's increased its lead to five points and will almost certainly clinch the title.

Even without four regular players, Croatia completely outplayed Ringwood City.

Croatia took the lead when Bacic found the goal out of position, and lobbed the ball over him into an open net.

The second goal was scored from a free kick by Cotic which was flicked under the goalie by Bill Gatzonis.

In the second half, Ringwood City, helped by the wind, put on the pressure but the defence cleared every dangerous situation. In the 16th minute of the second half, Croatia increased the lead, when Ringwood's goalie dropped the ball and Bill Gatzonis scored.

After that Croatia slowed down and allowed Ringwood to score their only goal. Finally Batinovic made it 4-1.

Best for Croatia: George Grbac, Bacic, Gatzonis, Rudic.

Best for R. C. Wilhelmina: Mullett, Ponzo.

Under 11

SEAFORD 4, FRANKSTON P. 1

For the first time in many weeks, Seaford was able to field near enough to a full strength team. This, plus the fact that it regained much of its lost form, led Seaford to victory.

Goal scorers: R. Carter (2), B. Taylor, S. Coppard.

Best: K. Schroeder, P. Wall, M. Watkins, S. Coppard.

Under 14

FAWKNER 5, BROADMEADOWS

Straight from the kickoff, Fawknar attacked and Silvano Farnie first-timed a good pass by Robert Marcato to put the home team ahead at the 15 minute mark.

Broadmeadows attacked furiously at the start of the second half, but found Bruno Pesa and Albano Battistin hard to pass.

Within 7 minutes, Fawknar broke away and Tony Schipano sent a good cross for the alert Michael Karavasilis to head in a beauty.

The same player completed his hat-trick after a good pass by David Tonna.

Broadmeadows was playing equally good soccer and was justly rewarded when the centre forward placed a neat header past Natoli.

Best for Fawknar: Michael Karavasilis, Bruno Pesa, Tony Schipano.

MOOROOLBARK 7, SEAFORD 0

After a long dreary trip to Mooroolbark, Seaford went down 0-7 in a quagmire which was more suited to the home team than to the Seaford and gropers.

Seaford's best were: Goalkeeper Garry Johnson, S. Johnson, G. Macmillan, P. Morrey.

LANGWARRIN 2, BRIGHTON 1

In an exciting game, Langwarrin scored two goals midway through the first half and looked to have the game sewn up.

But Brighton came again and G. Matthews reduced the deficit. Good play by C. McLeish and C. Murphy ("the rocket") nearly produced the equaliser but the diminutive Langwarrin goalkeeper was on his toes.

Under 13

PENINSULA 7, HAKOAH 3

Hakoah had only seven players and played two under 12's who had just finished their game.

Coming up against a full Peninsula team was a hopeless task.

Mark Stimer scored a hat-trick for Hakoah. Hakoah's best players: Mark Stimer, Fryser, Alex Zvier and J. Fish-bein.

Best for Peninsula: N. Henderson, M. Smith and N. Hubbard.

Under 12

RINGWOOD C. 2, ELTHAM 0

A flu epidemic left Ringwood City Wilhelmina with only 10 men for its game against Eltham, yet they fought gallantly and won 2-0.

Ringwood was also without Neil Jones, who is in hospital with rheumatic fever.

In addition, Roy Ruff pulled a thigh muscle in the first minute and was not as effective as he could have been.

Ringwood's goals were scored by Alan Irving and Danny McLaughlan and special praise goes to Eltham's Gary Dressler who played with his usual skill.

HAKOAH 1, SEAFORD 0

Hakoah played with one man short but managed to score seven minutes before the end through Larry Clarke to wrap up the game.

Two minutes before the end, Seaford was awarded a penalty for hands but goalkeeper John Benporath fisted John Keay's shot past the bar.

Hakoah's best players were: Larry Clark, John Benporath and Paul Leiba.

Seaford's best: T. Swift, J. Keay, S. Ryan, K. Wall.

Under 15

CHADSTONE 3, FRANKSTON P. 0

The first half saw play swing from end to end with both sides unable to capitalise on chances. Pines, however, were finding Gary Hooper in fine form at right back for Chadstone.

After the interval, Collin Mitchell raced away on the left wing and crossed to Jeff Locke, whose shot was deflected by Pines centre-half Simic into his own net.

A few minutes later, Andre Lavale floated over a corner kick which beat goalkeeper Cadle to make it 2-0. Cadle later made amends by saving well from Mitchell.

Just before the end Nick Mosko broke clear to thump home a first time shot and sew the game up.

Chadstone best players: A. Lavale, J. Locke, C. Mitchell.

Pines: Simic, Cameron, Lewis.

Under 8

BAYSWATER A. 0, KARINGAL 0

Bayswater was on top for most of the game but was unable to score because of the muddy conditions.

Bayswater's half back

line, with H. Schoenmakers and A. Crompton, was prominent. Good support came from A. Sutcliffe and M. Stoffels. The forward line, especially M. Bissinger and F. Edge, was outstanding. In goal, M. DeJager was reliable.

SEAFORD YELLOWS 1, PENINSULA 0

It was an even game, in which A. Nolan finally broke away to score the winning goal.

Best for Seaford were: G. Carter, I. Waugh, D. Stretton and J. Burns.

SEAFORD BLACK 2, BAYSWATER B. 0

Bayswater B put up a good performance against the league leader.

Best for Bayswater were: B. Robbins, B. Lane and P. Triandafillou.

Seaford, which faced a block of good defenders, scored through C. Lamb and M. Wittingham.

Seaford's best players were: K. McNair, M. Wittingham, C. Lamb and D. Taylor.



Seven-year-old Stephen May, captain of Seaford Blacks under 8's, current division leaders. Stephen is the team's most prolific goal scorer.

RESULTS

UNDER 8

Bayswater 0, Karingal 0.

UNDER 9

Box Hill 0 v. Ringwood 7, Doncaster 0 v. Waverley 0, Melbourne 0 v. Sunshine Hts. 1, Ringwood City Wilh. 1 v. Seaford 6.

UNDER 10

Moreland 1 v. Eltham 1, Rosanna 1 v. Werribee 2, Burnley 0 v. Sunshine City 1, Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine Hts. 3.

UNDER 11

Karingal v. Croydron B, Peninsula v. Bayswater, Doveton v. Frankston Pines.

SOUTH 1

Karingal 1 v. Ringwood City Wilh. 1, Karingal 1, Waverley 0 v. Frankston City 0.

SOUTH 2

Karingal 1 v. Ringwood City Wilh. 1, Karingal 1, Waverley 0 v. Frankston City 0.

SOUTH 3

Frankston Pines 1 v. Seaford 4, Doncaster 0 v. Box Hill 0, Melbourne 7 v. Peninsula 0, Ringwood City Wilh. 1 v. Karingal 1, Waverley 0 v. Frankston City 0.

NORTH WEST

Lions 1 v. Sunshine Hts. 3, Albion 6 v. Our Lady's 0, Melton 0 v. St. Albans 7, Footscray JUST 5 v. Pascoe Vale 1.

UNDER 12

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

WEST

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

UNDER 13

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

UNDER 14

Brunswick 3 v. George Cross 3, Fawknar 5 v. Broadmeadows 1, Juventus v. Rosanna w-o Juventus.

WEST

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

UNDER 15

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

UNDER 16

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

UNDER 17

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UNDER 18

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UNDER 19

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UNDER 20

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UNDER 21

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UNDER 36

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UNDER 37

Albion Rovers 0 v. Sunshine City 7, Kellor City 0 v. S.M.Hellas 0, Newport 1 v. Werribee 1.

SOUTH 2

Doncaster 5 v. Karingal 0, Doveton v. S.M.Hellas 0, Mooroolbark 9 v. Seaford 0.

SOUTH 1

Box Hill v. Dandenong City, Brighton 1 v. Langwarrin 2, Croydron 2 v. Ringwood City Wilh. 9.

UNDER 15

Lions 0 v. Footscray JUST 3, Croatia 4 v. Ringwood City Wilh. 1.

WEST

Corio 6 v. St. Albans 2.

SOUTH

Chadstone 3 v. Frankston Pines 0, Dandenong City 1 v. Springvale 4, Sandringham v. Frankston City. Did not turn up.

UNDER 16

Broadmeadows v. Juventus, George Cross 4 v. Alexander 0.

UNDER 17

Bayswater 1 v. Ringwood City Wilh. 0, Dandenong City 1 v. Clayton 0 v. S.M.Hellas 18.

WEST

Ardeer w-o v. Sunshine Hts. - Corio 2 v. Sunshine City 3, Albion Rovers v. West Newport.

SOUTH

Box Hill 2 v. Waverley 4, Croatia 5 v. Karingal 0, Dandenong City v. Frankston City.

NORTH WEST

Alexander w-o v. Kellor City, did not turn up, George Cross 3 v. Moreland 1, Heidelberg v. Footscray JUST w-o.

LADDERS

NORTH WEST

UNDER 11

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Albans	9	7	1	4	3	5	15
Sunshine H.	9	6	1	2	13	9	13
Altona	8	4	3	1	28	8	11
Lions	8	3	2	3	15	7	7
Footscray	7	3	1	3	6	10	7
Our Lady's	9	1	6	5	34	3	3
Melton	8	1	0	7	14	2	2

UNDER 9

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Karingal	9	8	1	0	18	4	18
Sunshine H.	9	8	1	0	18	4	18
Sunshine H.	9	8	1	0	18	4	18
Seaford	10	7	2	1	30	12	9
Waverley	10	5	2	3	10	12	9
Doncaster	10	4	5	1	6	11	6
Ringwood C.	8	0	4	4	10	35	4
Box Hill	9	1	2	6	23	4	4
Melbourne	10	0	2	8	23	2	2

UNDER 10 (2)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Karingal	9	8	1	0	18	4	18
Melbourne	9	8	1	0	18	4	18
R'wood C.	8	4	1	3	8	9	9
Doncaster	9	3	1	5	12	8	7

Croydon A

7 2 0 5 3 25 4

Mooroolbark 7 1 1 5 12 2

Clayton 7 1 0 6 0 17 2

UNDER 11

Melbourne 11 9 1 0 5 19

Doncaster 11 8 2 1 36 4 18

R'wood C. 11 7 2 1 30 14 17

Karingal 7 2 2 25 13 16

Seaford 11 4 2 5 20 15 10

Waverley 10 2 4 4 11 21 8

P'ston Pines 10 2 1 11 31 7

Frankston 10 2 2 6 13 26 6

Box Hill 10 1 6 6 8 21 5

Peninsula 11 0 0 11 3 72 0

UNDER 13

Melbourne 9 5 1 3 26 15 11

Frankston 9 5 1 3 26 15 11

Waverley 9 5 1 3 26 15 11

Hakoah 9 5 1 3 26 15 11

Springvale 9 4 2 3 34 10 10

F'ston Pines 9 2 1 6 7 39 5

Kovacek sent off

Polonia 3
Slavia 0

(Plaskota 43, Kowalec 54, Widera, pen. 81).

If it hadn't been for the phenomenal speed of Polonia striker Czes Plaskota, this tedious bore would have yawned its way to a scoreless draw.

Plaskota used his pace to catch onto a through pass from junior Bogdan Anolak and beat Jim Train to score with a ground-shot that gave goalkeeper Benes no chance.

In the second half, this peed left Slavia's new full back Lazarevic far behind and set up a successful scoring chance for Polonia's coach Kaz Kowalec.

Early in the game, Slavia had enough of the play to make Polonia worry.

But the few spectators who bothered to show up were wishing they had stayed home. It was nothing but aerial ping-pong, with passes going astray and with no-one bothering to create opportunities by moving into open space.

Plaskota's goal gave Polonia confidence to do enough to stay on top.

The Maribyrnong side was well under strength, with the absence of Joe Zurawski, who had a badly injured toe, and a dislocated toe of newcomer Marek Konopka who had a thigh injury.

This gave Anolak a place on the side and he played good, one-touch soccer but an out of puff towards the end.

Henry Siwka, who had been out of form, was tried in midfield but was still out of touch.

Polonia's star was the consistent Mike Olinowski, laying as sweeper for most of the game, he halted all attacks and distributed the ball accurately. Late in the second half, he went forward and was unlucky not to score.

Slavia, playing its new 3-4 formation, had only one real scoring chance but when Marian Sowula hit a bad 25-yard backpass to goalkeeper Litwin, Larry O'Neill and Jim Train tripped over each other.

Slavia showed it has little talent, lacks fitness and as no idea of team play.

Teams:
SLAVIA: Benes; Train, Zanatta, Lazarevic; Sheden (in), sub White, J. McCann, Schleicher, Taylor, Neill, Paul, Konopka. Coach Ken Train.
POLONIA: Litwin; Knot, Olinowski, Marmur, Sowula; Siwka, Widera; Kowalec (sub. 86), Anolak, Plaskota, sub. Kaz Kowalec. Manager Reno Gardiner.

Votes:
Slavia: 3. Zanatta, 2. McCallum, Train.
Polonia: 3. Olinowski, 2. Marmur, 1. Plaskota.

—LAURIE SCHWAB.



Ernie Ackerley

Sth. Melb 3
Footscray 1

(Buljevic (F) 43, Marshall 51, Armstrong 53, Utjesenovic (F) o.g. 84).

Although South Melbourne Hellas achieved its victory with two gift goals, it was clearly the better side and should have won by at least five goals, if missed opportunities are taken into account.

Every Hellas player pulled his weight and the team functioned as a smooth machine.

In contrast, Footscray J.U.S.T. was patchy, slow and lacked system. Its old weakness—the lack of linkmen—was again obvious.

As usual, it was full backs Milenko Ruzmir and Drago Utjesenovic who initiated forward moves, by coming upfield.

On countless occasions, the failure to pass the ball allowed Hellas ample time to draw its defenders back and make it impossible for Footscray to score.

Hellas dominated all over the ground. David High and Alan Rutherford kept Branko Buljevic and Slobodan Zoraja relatively harmless, while linkmen Ernie Ackerley and Jimmy Pyrgolios called the shots.

Ackerley was the attacking half of the link, and Pyrgolios hung back, destroying Footscray's moves.

Ian Marshall did a mountain of work in attack but missed too many chances. Jimmy Armstrong struck like a cobra when he took Marshall's place in the middle.

STH. MELB. HELLAS: Stephens, High, Bedford, Walker, Rutherford, Pyrgolios, Gorrie, Ackerley; Armstrong, Marshall, Gould, Coach - Vic Janczyk.
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Milisavljevic; Utjesenovic, Evans, Cirkovic, Ruzmir, Dasovic, Micic, Lukic; Zoraja, Dragovic, Buljevic. Coach - Lou Brodie.

Votes:
Sth. Melb: 3. Ackerley, 2. Rutherford, 1. Pyrgolios.
Footscray: 3. Ruzmir, 2. Milisavljevic, 1. Utjesenovic.

—LAURIE SCHWAB.

George
Cross 0.
Hakoah 0

In a match which seldom rose above drabness, both sides were obviously concerned with not losing, rather than winning.

As a spectacle, it did nothing to warm the paying public on a dull, cold, miserable, winter's afternoon.

One player stood out on each side, because they looked, moved and thought like soccer players.

Johnny Sanchez (George Cross) played his best game for a long time.

He controlled his side's defensive half of the field and was largely responsible for the home team's defence looking solid and competent.

Newcomer Fox started quietly but settled down as the game progressed and gave added support to centre half Ricks, who has played a lone hand, so often this season.

Early recurrence of a knee injury necessitated Jimmy Smart's replacement after only 10 minutes.

Chetcuti came on and tried hard on the right wing but lack of experience nullified much of his energy and dash.

Gardiner and Walker demonstrated good footwork but slowness in thinking and passing made Hakoah's defensive job easy.

Dario Epifano is a potentially dangerous winger. He is fast, crosses a good ball and shoots accurately.

Lack of heart in the tackle and an unwillingness to fight for the ball spoil his work.

McLachlan and Makin were enthusiastic and generally covered Kastner well.

Shots for goal, particularly an angled drive by Portwood were capably and competently dealt with by Kastner.

Ian Reid was ineffective for two reasons. He often fell into Hakoah's off-side trap and was generally well held by John O'Neill.

O'Neill's football knowhow and vast experience, were stamped on the visitors' defensive tactics.

Cross never found the answer. Practically every Cross attack foundered on the rock that was John O'Neill. His value to Hakoah, over the years, cannot be estimated.

George Cross: Kastner, Makin, McLachlan, Smart, Ricks, Fox, Sanchez, Gardiner, Reid, Walker and Epifano. Chetcuti replaced Smart after 10 minutes.

Hakoah: Henderson, Stenhouse, Baker, Bridgeman, O'Neill, Waidyky, Fry, Smith, Portwood, Robertson and Cameron. Clarey replaced Portwood after 55 minutes.

Best: Hakoah - 3. O'Neill, 2. Bridgeman, 1. Smith.
George Cross - 3. Sanchez, 2. Walker, 1. Ricks.

George Yelland.

CROATIA SET TO MOVE INTO FOUR

By Laurie Schwab.

Croatia looks set to move into the State League top four by downing its old rival Footscray J.U.S.T. at Middle Park on Sunday.

The deadly combination of Jimmy MacKay in midfield and striker Billy Vojtek, who has scored five goals in his last two League games, should prove too great a hurdle for Footscray to overcome.

J.U.S.T. has no support in midfield for Frank Micic and relies on the attacking play of full backs Milenko Ruzmir and Drago Utjesenovic.

Branko Buljevic and in particular Slobodan Zoraja are not workers so without a ball supply they are ineffective.

Croatia's defence has conceded less goals than any other team in the League. Brian Williams is the team's most consistent player and from full back he makes dangerous runs upfield.

Williams' attacking play, combined with the brilliance of MacKay in midfield and Vojtek in attack and the steadily improving form of Willie Armour on the wing, should swing the game Croatia's way.



Joe Zurawski

POLONIA v.
GEORGE CROSS
(Maribyrnong, Sat.)

Polonia suffered one of its greatest losses for the season when linkman Andrew Czupnik limped off the ground with a dislocated toe during the Dockerty Cup match against South Melbourne Hellas.

Brawny utility player Joe Zurawski cut his finger at work last week and may again be missing but Polish newcomer

Marek Konopka should recover from a leg injury in time to take the field against George Cross.

Czes Plaskota used his phenomenal speed well against Slavia last week and Mike Olinowski and Eddy Marmur are proving a formidable defensive combination.

Polonia allowed itself to be dragged down by Slavia's poor play last week but the more open style of George Cross will suit the Maribyrnong boys.

Despite the return to form by Johnny Sanchez last week, George Cross does not have the stability to toss Polonia.

HAKOAH v.
MELBOURNE
(Middle Pk., Sat.)

Melbourne moved one point closer to leader Juventus last week and its devastating wing play and solid defence should humble Hakoah.

The teams' previous encounter ended 5-0 for Melbourne and a repeat of the thrashing is not unlikely.

Hakoah showed great improvement in downing Footscray J.U.S.T. 5-2 in the last Dockerty Cup round but failed to continue the good work against George Cross.

John O'Neill is having a great season and lately he's been getting good support from Nigel Bridgeman but Melbourne simply has too much talent, discipline and aggression.

FITZROY v.
LIONS
(Olympic Pk., Sat.)

Fitzroy Alexander has become disoriented by the loss of linkman Andrew Fokianos.

His return to Greece has forced coach Manny Poulakakis to change his 1-4-2-3 formation to suit the available players and the switch has been unsettling.

Newcomer Aris Blighouras obtains his clearance from Greece before the weekend, he'll probably be included in the team and the players

can revert to the old formation.

But Alexander has a one-man attack in Jimmy Mangopoulos and if he's blotted out by Lions' Steve Collinson, then victory will go to the Essendon side.

Left winger Eddy Butler has proved one of the brightest newcomers this year and is scoring goals regularly.

Hugh Murney is playing powerful soccer in midfield and tons of drive is supplied by the reliable Ian McCarthy, who is leading in the voting for the Marlboro best player award.

Lions' old problem—their defence—seems to have been overcome and a win here will lift them right out of the relegation zone.



Bobby Thomson

JUVENTUS v.
SLAVIA
(Olympic Pk. Sun.)

Juventus coach Tony Boggi will probably call on Bobby Thomson to take over injured Sandy Irvine's sweeper role, thus allowing Jock Goodwin to return to midfield, where he is badly needed.

Juventus, now only four points ahead of Melbourne, has the tendency to relax after hitting the front and although it's a bad habit, it won't have any ill effects against Slavia.

Only Tony Zanatta, Jim Train and Marshall McCallum showed a semblance of form last week and I doubt Slavia's new coach Ken Kontra can do enough with this sorry lot to clinch even one point.



Drago Utjesenovic

RINGWOOD v.
STH. MELB.
(Jubilee Pk. Sun.)

South Melbourne Hellas played a great game last week and a repeat of the performance will leave Ringwood Wilhelmina helpless.

Ernie Ackerley and Jimmy Pyrgolios fired well in midfield and the hard-working Ian Marshall has proved a valuable acquisition.

Jimmy Armstrong has found his shooting boots and the defence is as solid as a rock.

Wilhelmina has little to match those credentials. Its defence is as steady as ever but the makeshift forward line, forced on the team by the injuries to Fred Bunce and coach Brian Edgley, is not getting results.

And it will be even harder against Alan Rutherford and David High, who both starred last week, and the ever reliable Steve Walker.

With David Gorrie regularly coming from behind to threaten the goals, Dick Ward, Bobby Adam and company will crack under the pressure.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	13	10	3	0	22	13	23
Melbourne	13	8	3	2	22	13	19
F. J.U.S.T.	13	7	2	4	21	22	16
S.M. Hellas	12	6	4	2	20	18	16
Croatia	12	6	2	4	20	11	14
R.C. Wil.	13	6	2	5	26	18	14
Polonia	13	5	3	5	22	21	13
George C.	13	3	4	6	15	23	10
Hakoah	13	3	4	6	14	24	10
Pils. U. Alex	13	3	3	7	20	24	9
Lions	13	1	4	8	18	36	6
P.M. Slavia	13	0	4	9	7	32	4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Polonia	13	10	1	2	28	10	21
R.C. Wil.	11	7	2	2	27	18	18
F. J.U.S.T.	12	7	2	3	22	18	16
Hakoah	12	6	3	3	27	14	15
Croatia	12	4	4	4	25	18	14
Lions	13	6	2	5	22	28	14
Juventus	10	4	3	3	20	8	11
George C.	13	4	3	6	22	38	11
S.M. Hellas	11	2	4	5	7	12	8
P.M. Slavia	12	2	4	6	18	42	8
Melbourne	12	1	3	8	8	31	5
Pils. U. Alex	9	0	1	8	5	32	1

—LAURIE SCHWAB.

Team of the week

KENNEDY
(Fitzroy)

UTJESENOVIC
(Footscray)

SANCHEZ
(G. Cross)

O'NEILL
(Hakoah)

RUSMIR
(Footscray)

MCCARTHY
(Lions)

ACKERLEY
(Sth. Melb)

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(Melbourne)

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(Croatia)

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(Sth. Melb)

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RESULTS AND FIXTURES

LATROBE VALLEY

SENIORS.	Rangers	14	7	2	551-43	16
Monash 4 Bairnsdale 1, Rangers	Falcons	14	7	1	847-38	15
Warragul, postponed ground	RAAF	14	2	8	847-75	7
unit, Moe 0 Newborough 2	Moe	14	3	10	26-62	7
Traralgon 0 Falcons 2, Churchill	Churchill	14	2	11	16-38	5
Fortuna 3	Bairnsdale	14	1	7	9-41	8
	Warragul	14	1	0	13-29	7

RESERVES.		UNDER 16							
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
Monash 4	Bairnsdale 1, Rangers	Moe	10	9	1	0	37-21	9	
10	Warragul 2, Moe 1 Newborough	Rangers	9	6	0	325-19	9		
5,	Traralgon 4 Falcons 1, Fortuna	Pegasus	9	4	1	421-7	9		
3	Churchill 0, Pegasus 8 RAAF 3.	Traralgon	10	2	1	7-248	5		
		Maryvale	9	0	1	8-0-4	1		

UNDER 16's.	UNDER 14
All fixtures postponed.	P W D L F A Pts

UNDER 14's.		N'borough	12	9	1	249-8	19	
Monash 3 Bairnsdale 1, Rangers		Rangers	11	9	1	146-8	19	
Warragul, postponed ground		Yallourn	12	9	1	272-10	19	
unit, Moe 2 Newborough 0		Fortuna	12	7	0	25-30	14	
Pegasus 0 Yallourn 1, Falcons 1		Pegasus	13	4	1	82-28	9	
Traralgon 5, Fortuna 2 Churchill 1		Warragul	11	4	1	615-33	9	
		B'dale	12	4	0	825-43	8	
		Traralgon	14	3	0	14-58	8	
		Falcons	9	8	0	10-51	8	
		Churchill	12	3	0	92-0	43	
		Moe	12	2	0	10	13-45	4
UNDER 12's.								
Monash 6 Bairnsdale 0, Pegasus								

Rangers 7, Yall-Whites 0									
Newborough 4, Maryvale 1									
Yall-Reds - Postponed ground unfit,									
Moe 6 Traralgon 2, Fortuna 3									
Wanderers 3, Warragul 1 - bye.									
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Rangers 0 Churchill 2, Yallourn	Yal. Reds	13	10	0	3	48-10	20
1 Monash 0, Newborough 7	Monash	13	9	0	4	96-17	18
Maryvale 0, Traralgon 2 Moe 0,	Warragul	13	7	0	6	12-28	14
Falcons 6 Fortuna 0, Warragul	Fortuna	14	5	1	8	25-40	11
Celtic 1 Postponed ground unfit.	Maryvale	13	5	1	7	8-37	11
	Traralgon	14	5	0	9	25-42	10

UNDER 8's.		UNDER 6	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Yallourn 7 Celtic 0, Monash 1		Rangers	14	2	8	2	105-62		26
Traralgon 0, Churchill 8 Moe 0,		B'dale	14	3	0	11	5-112 6		
Rangers - Newborough - Post-		Yal. Whites	14	2	1	11	19-63		5
poned ground unit.		Pegasus	14	1	1	12	3-92		3
		UNDER 10							
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	

SENIORS								N'borough	14	14	0	124-128
								Yallourn	14	13	0	151-136
								Churchill	14	11	2	87-153
P W D L F A Pts								Traralgon	14	11	1	108-124
Rangers	12	9	2	1	42-20	26	Monash	14	7	1	88-104	
Traralgon	13	9	1	3	30-19	19	Rangers	14	5	6	25-126	
Yallourn	13	8	1	5	17-18	15	Warragul	13	5	2	26-43	
N'borough	13	1	1	3	28-14	9	Falcons	14	5	2	37-45	
Pegasus	12	8	1	3	42-10	17	Moe	14	5	0	99-39	
Warragul	12	7	1	4	32-15	15	Fortuna	14	4	1	115-66	
Monash	13	6	0	7	30-37	12	Celtic	13	1	11	7-68	
Fortuna	13	3	6	2	28-32	9	Maryvale	14	0	13	5-92	
B'dale	13	4	1	10	20-5	5						
Churchill	13	1	11	11	6-30	3						
Moe	13	0	13	2-41	0							

		UNDER 8							
		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
RESERVES		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
	Monash	14	12	1	1	56-15	25		
	Fortuna	14	11	1	2	78-15	23		
	Pegasus	14	10	2	2	78-22	22		
	N'borough	14	8	5	1	45-21	21		
	Traralgon	14	8	2	4	43-30	18		
	Yallourn	12	11	0	1	64-22	22		
	Churchill	12	9	1	2	46-8	19		
	N'borough	11	7	2	2	22-13	16		
	Monash	11	5	3	3	13-8	13		
	Rangers	11	5	1	5	29-16	11		
	Moe	11	3	1	7	8-32	7		
	Traralgon	12	1	3	8	7-38	5		
	Celtic	12	0	0	12	0-82	0		

SENIORS.	UNDER 6	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	Rangers	13	13	0	0	105-62	26	
1 Monash 0, Newborough 7	N'borough	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
Warragul 2 Moe 0	Yallourn	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
Falcons 0 Fortuna 0, Warragul	Yal. Reds	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
Celtic 1 Postponed ground unit.	Monash	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Warragul	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Fortuna	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Pegasus	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Traralgon	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	B'dale	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Churchill	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	
	Moe	13	11	0	2	97-72	22	

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Metropolitan round-up — with George Yelland

LAST UNBEATEN CLUB GOES DOWN

Shock victories for Prahran and Triestina; Yallourn replaces Coburg at the head of division two; Ballarat, the last unbeaten club, goes down to Western Suburbs.

These were highlights of another thrill-packed, weekend's soccer.

Raised eyebrows and thinly veiled sarcasm, in certain quarters, followed Green Gully Ajax's home defeat by Maribyrnong Triestina.

Tragedy struck at Brighton, where goalkeeper Andy McGeechan, playing his first senior league match, had his hand broken when making a courageous and desperate save.

Croydon, severely hit by injuries and sickness, lost again.

Star recruit, Terry Parradine, who was showing signs of welding Croydon into a victorious combination, broke his leg in a practice match against Ringwood the previous week.

On medical advice, he seems unlikely to play again.

A fortnight ago, Robbie Howarth broke an arm. This followed a chipped leg bone earlier in the season and a broken ankle last year. He is likely to give the game away.

Park Rangers, following a disastrous start to the season, are on the way up. They top scored for the day when slamming eight past John Slade, who learned his soccer with Rangers at the age of 14.

Clayton Park Rangers' victims, had their share of trouble.

Jimmy Pilkington was taken off at half-time, Alan Rogers substituting. Five minutes later, pivot Terry Lewis crashed into his own goalkeeper and had to leave the field. Ten minutes later inside forward Archie Currie was injured and became a passenger on the left wing.

Clayton played the last half hour with nine sound men.

The experience of ex Slavia star, Ian Livingstone, gave Prahran added drive.

They shocked Kellor City at St. Albans with a deserved 3-2 victory.

Altona kept up their first division challenge with a massive 7-1 win at St. Albans' expense.

The game was not as one-sided as the score suggests, until the last fifteen minutes, when Altona added five goals to their narrow 2-1 lead.

Altona went into a ten minute lead through Bill Savage.

A quarter of an hour later an Albion corner went directly into the net to level matters.

The home forwards missed several good chances and the teams turned round on level terms.

It was not until the 70th minute that Peter Stankovsk put Altona ahead again.

With fifteen minutes to go, Jimmy Ackers started the late goal storm by converting a penalty kick.

Four more quickly followed through Ray King, Bill Savage, Peter Stankovsk and Ray King again.

St. Albans fell apart under this late pressure, but fought hard for most of the game.

Craig Copley played his first game for four weeks, for Altona.

Jimmy Ackers, Bill Savage and Ray King were outstanding for the visitors.

Box Hill, giving their worst performance for 1970, were fortunate to defeat Ringwood in the last twelve minutes of a disappointing game.

Twenty minutes after the start, Jimmy McCracken converted a goal, sliced his kick and the ball flew into his own net.

Ringwood hung on to this slender lead until the 78th minute, when a loose ball in their penalty area, was belted in by David Corder.

Three minutes later, Cameron shot over with an open goal yawning before him. With only three minutes to go, Steve Atkins gleefully accepted an easy chance from a goalmouth scramble.

Ringwood but had to be content with the centre was chased by John Wilkes.

He outjumped the centre half, collected the ball, drew the keeper and scored the best goal of the game.

John Hagar, in goal, Alan Dewar and Tommy McPherson were best for out of form Box Hill.

The steady influence of John Brown was missed and the Hillmen were thankful to collect both points.

Elwood Austria had every chance to defeat Preston Makodan but had to be content with a division of points.

After only five minutes, Franz Green, missed a wide open goal when he shot over the top from only five yards.

Makodan posed no real threat as Austria continued to fritter chances away.

After 35 minutes, Peter Reynolds gave Elwood the lead with a low diving header from a Barry Webb cross.

Facing the wind, in the second half, Austria stayed on but could not add to their tally.

A dramatic last minute penalty kick gave Preston the equalising goal, which had seemed unlikely to come.

Frank Petersen in goal, John Webb and Peter Reynolds were outstanding for Austria. Guenther Gangerich had a good first half but had to be substituted for the second.

A rough playing area and strong wind made soccer difficult at St. Albans.

In spite of conditions, both clubs combined to produce an exciting game.

Playing with the wind in the first half, Kellor put tremendous pressure on a compact Prahran defence.

Fred Schull performed brilliantly in goal and saved a penalty and a goal in the five minutes before the interval.

He was beaten only once, after twenty minutes, when Joe Menary darted through to score a beauty and give Kellor a 1-0 half-time lead.

Prahran suffered a set back, two minutes before the break, when spearhead Peter Avent had to go off with suspected cartilage trouble.

Colin Seedy replaced him in the second half.

Yallourn had gone when Seedy brought the scores level with a sizzling 25 yards drive.

A minute later Steve Freund celebrated the safe arrival of a second goal last week by hitting home a well placed free-kick to put the visitors ahead.

Kellor showed their class by steadying themselves and moving into attack.

In the sixty second minute, Eddie Kippul pulled Kellor back on to level terms with a clever goal and for a time they were on top.

Only ten minutes remained when Charlie Hobbard forced home the winner from close range.

The result was a morale booster for Prahran and set Kellor's championship hopes back.

Ian Livingstone and Graham Clamp gave outstanding performances for Prahran.

Best for Kellor were Eddie Kippul, Kallik Klein, George Smolinski and Guenther Gerick. They were handicapped by the absence, in hospital of star forward Wally Klein.

Sunshine City and Springvale struggled to a one all draw, in heavy conditions.

Good soccer was at a premium but Sunshine had more of the early play.

In three minutes, Frankie Mussels hit the bar and Stuart McLachlan worked wonders in the Springvale goal.

Springvale came more into the game and Peter Peters shot narrowly over followed by two first time efforts from Barry Horsfall.

Sunshine took the lead at the 25 minute mark.

Billy Doctor put over a good corner kick which Kazi Petrowski met.

His shot stuck in the mud as full back Norman Edgar swung a boot to clear the ball. Finlay Fraser started in and the ball landed in the net. Fraser is credited with the goal.

With 35 minutes gone, a long ball from Peters was collected by John Beesley.

He beat two men, in a clever run, before slamming in the equaliser.

Sunshine turned the heat on in the second half and the visitors defence was under continual pressure.

Ferguson might have had three or four goals but for the brilliance of McLachlan.

Barry Horsfall shadowed McCurry to a point where the frustrated Sunshine man threw the ball at him and received his marching orders.

Late in the game Terry Vowles replaced Tom Fowler and the lead Springvale improved but no further score from either side, gave the visitors a precious, if fortunate, point.

McLachlan, Beesley and Alan McKinley were Springvale's best.

For Sunshine, Herbert Seenan, Kazi Petrowski and Fraser were outstanding.

In a tough bruising encounter, Frankston won by the only goal, at Dandy Street.

The game became a little heated at times and got away from the referees. Both sides claimed penalties but none were awarded.

In twelve minutes, Alan Farrot made a great run, pulled the ball back accurately, for Albie Matthews to run on to and score a fine goal.

Six minutes later Andy McGeechan, playing his first league game for the season made a courageous diving save at the feet of a Frankston forward.

He received a kick which broke his hand and had to be taken to hospital to have it set in plaster.

He returned late in the game, to urge on his team.

A fine run by Dave King in the 37th minute, nearly brought the equaliser but Jimmy Molloy shot narrowly over.

In the second half Brighton had more of the play and Molloy did get the ball into the net, but an infringement prevented a score being registered.

With ten minutes left, Molloy incurred the referees displeasure and was booked. Immediately after, he was sent off.

Eddie Gibb was missing from Brighton's line up, with a pulled muscle. His substitute, Joe McLean, had a good game.

Pat Hughes, Bobby Frieis and Gordon Hey were others to impress.

Albion came back strongly for Ronnie Stevenson to level matters. It was one all at the interval.

Seven minutes after half-time Szabo dashed down the wing and scored accurately, for Roy Ainsworth to apply the finishing touches.

Following a long spell of mid-field play, John Stuart broke through to equalise for Albion, with only six minutes left.

Yallourn would not give in and a minute later Linton Plummer gave them the lead for the third time when he flashed home a great shot from Joss Adrichen's centre.

John Beesley, Adrichen and Anderson were outstanding for Yallourn. Left back Billy Cree and right wing Stevenson were best for Albion.

Coburg dropped from top spot, mainly because their forwards gave pathetic displays. At least six gilt edged opportunities went begging, in the first half.

The only goal, in this period, came from George Malcolm's head, after Hercules' goalkeeper punched the ball out.

If Coburg must promotion, and they could well do this after heading the League for half the season, blame will rest squarely on their attack.

Dozens of scoring opportunities have gone begging due to inaccurate or hurried finishing, in most games, so far.

They had 80 per cent of the play, yet six minutes from time Hercules equalised.

There was doubt about this goal, for Di Giovanni appeared to jump at a defender, pushing him into the goalkeeper. The ball bounced gently into an unattended goal.

Cec Earley, John Yelland and Arthur Bolton were about defenders for Coburg who cannot afford to throw points away, as they have done in recent weeks.

Sandringham, hit hard by injury and sickness, only managed to share the spoils with Oakleigh.

Phil Harburn, Jimmy Zogas and Trevor Scott were all down with flu.

This game, scheduled for Oakleigh, was transferred to Olive Grove, because of the impossible condition of Athens' pitch.

Away to a great start, Sandringham took the lead in three minutes, when Jack Morton scored from Brian Laughton's cross.

Both sides missed chances and Sandringham led by the only goal, at half-time. A defensive error let Oakleigh in for the equaliser, four minutes after the break.

Five minutes later Oakleigh's goalkeeper failed to hold a hot free-kick and Fred Bolton gave Sandringham the lead again, with an easy goal.

Nine minutes from time, an Oakleigh attacker shrugged off two defenders to equalise with a well taken effort. Con. Argeres, Jack Morton and Ian Young were Sandy's best players.

A defensive battle, at Moreland, saw Waverley take a point in a scoreless draw.

Moreland's centre half, Alan Walker played an outstanding role, as did his opposite number, Ian Beattie, for Waverley.

Neither set of forwards found an answer to close marking and first time clearances.

Late in the game, Ian Chalmers pulled a muscle and was replaced by Tony McHugh.

Keith Haberle was outstanding for the visitors. He defended well and showing great speed, set up many attacks, only to see his forwards fall in front of goal.

Forst Mayer was sound in goal for the visitors. Agility and quick reflexes saved several dangerous situations.

A nasty accident in the first two minutes of the reserves game caused Moreland's reserve goalkeeper to suffer a serious injury.

McHugh darted between full back and goalie, to open the score. Mathieson crashed into his own full back and suffered a severed kidney and damaged liver.

Rushed to Preston & Northcote Hospital, he was operated on immediately and is reported to be in serious condition in the intensive care unit.

Waverley thirds have had a successful run, winning seven and drawing one of their last eight games.

Last Sunday, they visited Frankston and won 4-1.

He scored easily from a left wing cross.

Western Suburbs settled down and equalised after half an hour when George Maykousis scored from a goalmouth scramble.

Five minutes later, the same player took a long ball, rounded a defender, beat the goal-keeper and hit the cross-bar. He cracked home the rebound to put Western Suburbs 2-1 up at the interval.

A thrilling, end to end second half, saw the home team gradually assume command.

Fifteen minutes from time Jimmy Kypyrdis made the game safe when he scored his side's third goal.

Nick Adamidis, George Maykousis, Bill Kane and Jimmy Loliotes were outstanding for Western Suburbs.

St. Kilda included centre half John Payne from Liverpool and inside left Kevin Mounsey from London in their line up against Chelsea.

The two English boys have only recently come to Australia but settled in the team immediately.

With experienced men like Billy McIvor, Tony Behrens and Joe Clasin, St. Kilda were a much smoother and menacing combination than at any time earlier this season.

For twenty minutes they gave Chelsea the run around but as half-time approached, the visitors came more into the game.

Chelsea's weakness lay in attack. Their forwards were timid and would not fight for the ball. They

are sadly in need of a striker who can take half chances.

Coach John Mathieson invites any player within reasonable reach of Chelsea and fancies himself as a goal scorer, to come along and see him at training.

Chelsea is a go ahead club who train and play at Edithvale Reserve, Edithvale Road, Edithvale.

Training nights are Tuesday and Thursday. John Mathieson can be contacted at his home, 1 Inga Court, Chelsea, 3186.

Chelsea failed to take opportunities again after half time and St. Kilda assumed command.

A centre by McIvor was punched out and Tony Behrens slammed it into the net.

With twelve minutes to go, Ricky Swart made it 2-0 and with only five minutes left, Mounsey wrong footed the defence when he allowed the ball to go through his legs.

Clasen was unmarked and he cracked it home to complete a sound victory.

Centre half Norm Barry and full backs Duncan Mulholland and Barry Walker gave Chelsea fine service.

Jerry Lewis was injured five minutes after the interval and Clayton were left with ten men.

Wiegmann duly completed his hat-trick two minutes later, and Broadfoot scored Rangers seventh at 68 minutes.

Clayton never gave in and Mike Davis scored their second goal. Neil Robertson completed

Rangers tally with nine minutes to go.

Fireworks from Park Rangers produced three goals in the first ten minutes and virtually settled the game.

Casper Wiegmann scored two and Alan Broadfoot the third. Clayton recovered from this whirlwind start for John Collins to reduce the arrears after 15 minutes.

On the half hour Ken Mitchell converted a penalty and with Rangers well on top, Jeff Bunyard made it 5-1 at half-time.

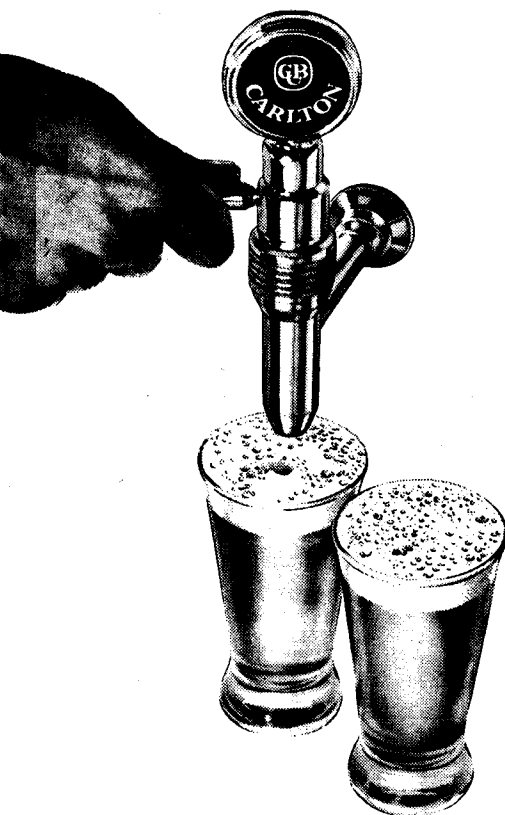
Back came 'never say die' Clayton to score a third goal through Ronnie Ryan.

Archie Campbell bobbed on the left wing and the visitors fought out the last half hour with only nine sound men. With tighter and much closer marking by the defence, Clayton could easily get out of trouble.

Croydon were due to visit Heidelberg, but the Hawker Street pitch, thanks to the lack of drainage or attention of any kind by Heidelberg Council, was an unplayable quagmire.

The game was transferred to Croydon. In heavy conditions both sides played exceptionally well. In the end, Croydon's depleted team conceded defeat.

Ten minutes from time bad marking from a throw in left a Heidelberg forward with a gift opportunity of making it 2-0.



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DISTRICT LEAGUE

PREMIER DIVISION

Kingsville 4 (Peró 2, Cane, Pen, Cole, Best: Cole, Tode, Veein) defeated Hawksburn 1.
Yarraville 0 (Best: Meletis, Papadopoulos, Aggelos) lost to Ardeer 3 (R. Polno 2, C. Cempie 1, Best: T. Smietanka, R. Polno, J. Toczynski).
North Altona 1 (Falcone) lost to Fawkner 3 (M. Cosmano, Best: M. Cosmano, T. Mainetti, S. Pusek).
Pascoe Vale 1 lost to Chadstone 3 (J. Ryan 3, Best: J. Ryan, E. Wilkinson, T. Doonan).
Melton 0 (Best: D. Norris, J. Halmark, F. Davis) lost to Fitzroy 1 (Taverna, Best: Korivic, Fortini, Fini).
Langwarrin 1 (G. Sutton, Best: D. Clark, G. Sutton, R. Pedron) defeated Frankston Pines 0 (Best: A. Sarclough, P. Blasby, L. Anderson).

CENTRAL DIVISION

Diamond Creek 0 (Best: J. Dobbelaar) lost to Kew 3 (V. Speljak, V. Forlane, D. Jankovic, Best: Pelic, Hribernik, Speljak).
East Carlton 5 (Gargaro 3, Rosso 2, pen, Hummfray, Best: Baldassari, Gargaro, Colianni) defeated Diamond Creek A 1 (K. Mitchell).
Royal Park 2 drew with Keon Park 2.

EASTERN DIVISION

South Dandenong 5 (J. Roussety 3, J. Savannah 2, Best: J. Roussety, J. Savannah, A. Shapero) defeated Sandringham 0.
Balcombe A v. Cheltenham - Walkover to Cheltenham.
Toorak 1 lost to Burnley 3 (Tato pen, Gimenez, Garcia, Best: Tato, Gamsa, Foguerra).

WESTERN DIVISION

Werribee 0 (Best: Davis, Costello, Parker) lost to Laverton A 2 (Best: Verlinden, Ross, Roberts).
Williamstown 2 (A. Dovcin, J. Hermann, Best: J. Hermann, M. Cetinic, A. Cetinic) drew with Garden City 2 (F. Klouflos, S. Tamagotalaros, Best: Klouflos, Tsatsakis, Vathas).
Parkville Cedars 0 (Best: T. Warden, T. Malkoun, W. Ishak) lost to Ascot United 5 (S. Capelletti 3, F. Rascella, R. Spagnolo, Best: D. Aloe, S. Capelletti, B. Brennan).
Laverton B 1 lost to Central Altona 5 (R. Kieffer 3, K. Anschöber 2, Best: K. Anschöber, R. Kieffer, S. Zamola).

RESERVE DIVISION

Kingsville 3 Hawksburn 0, Yarraville 1 Ardeer 0, Pascoe Vale 0 drew with Chadstone 0, Melton 1 Fitzroy 0, North Altona lost to Fawkner 2, Langwarrin 2 Frankston Pines 1.

This weeks fixtures:
PREMIER.
Ardeer v. Chadstone, Pascoe Vale v. Fawkner, North Altona v. Fitzroy, Melton v. Frankston Pines, Langwarrin v. Hawksburn, Yarraville v. Kingsville.

EAST.
Army Apprentices A v. Burnley, Toorak v. Cheltenham, Balcombe v. Sandringham, South Dandenong v. Doveton, Windsor v. Monash, Cheltenham v. Army Apprentices.

CENTRAL.
Carlton v. Doveton, Reservoir v. Diamond Creek A, East Carlton v. East Br., Regent v. Kew, Sloane, Diamond Creek B v. Keon Park, Fiddle Park v. Royal Park.

WEST.
Central Altona v. Ascot United, Parkville Cedars v. Elsternwick, West Melbourne v. Garden City, Williamstown v. North Sunshine, Laverton B v. Werribee.



A spectacular sliding tackle by Croatia's Jimmy MacKay robs Alexander's Paul Tiktikakis of the ball. Steve Reynolds took the picture. State League reports pages 4 and 9.

OLD STARS FADE, NEW ONES BORN

Some of the world's most outstanding players probably reached the end of their World Cup days in Mexico.

But Mexico was also the cradle for other men who will take the place of those dropping out. Lev Yashin, the veteran Soviet goalkeeper, was called in for what should

have been his fourth World Cup. Despite his great wisdom and experience, his 41 years were too much to risk lining him up in games of such importance.

Bobby Charlton, the much admired English midfielder, played his third and probably his last World Cup in Mexico. He is 33 years old and 90 minutes of gruelling play appear too much for his tired legs.

Edson Arantes do Nascimento, better known as Pele, said after the final that he had played in his last World Cup. We'll see.

Before the competition, he was said to have reached the limits of his power.

But then, playing in his fourth World Cup and his third Cup final, Pele proved one of the stars of the series.

At 30, Pele is still in good shape and with four Cup goals, he was one of

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the main bulwarks in the Brazilian side.

Pele has always been the major target of the opposing defences and he has often been seriously injured. If he can avoid such injuries between now and Munich, we may well see him back in action again.

Another great player who probably said goodbye in Mexico is West Germany's artistic goal scorer Uwe Seeler.

At 33, Seeler was playing in his fourth World Cup, had equalled the record number of caps for Germany and had become his country's best ever goalscorer.

Instinctive

Gerhard Mueller of West Germany scored 10 goals during the tournament and was one of the outstanding players during his first World Cup.

An instinctive goalscorer, Mueller is sure to boost his reputation in Munich and perhaps in the following series.

Jairzinho, or Jair, also showed great class, playing alongside Pele and Tostao and scoring seven goals. This replacement for the great Garrincha more than justified his place in the team and may issue a challenge for Pele's crown.

Anatoli Bishovets, 23, is a most promising Soviet player. In Mexico he

proved a brilliant and powerful striker, scoring four times. Mexico, without a doubt, was both the end of some "gods" and the springboard that will bring others to fame and glory.



Gerd Mueller



Pele



Lev Yashin

Luisa Miss Juventus

Nineteen-year-old Luisa D'Alessandro was crowned Miss Juventus at a ball held at St. Kilda Town Hall last Tuesday night.

Luisa, who lives in Flemington and works for the Taxation Department, was sponsored by Duo Moreno.

Her prize was a cruise for two to Sydney on one of the Lloyd Triestino liners.

She will now be Juventus' entrant in the Miss Italian Community Quest and may go on to contest the Miss Victoria and Miss Australia titles. Also crowned at the ball were Miss Charity Queen, Silvana Vitale and Miss Personality, Kardi Hero.

Silvana, 18, raised \$2,600, part of which will go to the Spastic Children's Society.

Silvana, a student, lives in Kew and was sponsored by Aquila Shoes.

Her prize is a seven-day holiday for two in Noumea.

Twenty-year-old Kardi Hero, is a student teacher

and lives in Kew. She was sponsored by the Juventus Younger Set and won a \$50 savings account and three months' hair styling by Williams and Antonio hairdressers of Howie Court, City and Toorak Road, Toorak.

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